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AUTHORITIES ARREST CALLER WITHIN MINUTES OF THREAT

Bomb threat made to county schools

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

A bomb threat called in to two Coffee County Schools Monday ended with no bombs being found at either school and the "caller" being arrested.

that evacuation plans at both schools went smoothly, and the students and faculties reacted to the circumstances in a very calm and professional manner.

A rather extensive county-wide emergency management plan

K-12 are located on the one campus. The buildings on the Zion Chapel campus were deemed safe shortly before 4 p.m.

Since many of the students had not had lunch at both schools when the incident occurred, snacks and drinks were brought in by school officials.

Bowden explained that he held the students at the schools until as near 3 p.m. as possible due to the fact that many of the students' parents would not have been at home or have made preparations for their arrival at an earlier time.

Although the students were at no time in danger during the incident, many of them were "checked out" by concerned parents - about 75 at New Brockton and half at Zion Chapel - prior to the buses' departure at 2 p.m.

School officials utilized area radio stations to inform parents of the situation at both facilities and also to let them know that school would be dismissed earlier.

Supt. Bowden commended everyone for their actions during the unfortunate incidents - students, teachers, parents, law enforcement and all other agencies involved conducted themselves in a very admirable manner. Sheriff Moates echoed Bowden's comments on how well all agencies in the two communities worked together in resolving this incident.

Immediately after the sheriff's department was notified of the threat, they in turn notified officials in Enterprise, Elba and Kinston of the situations at New Brockton and Zion Chapel so they could be alerted to any impending similar situation.

The sheriff also commented that as a precaution, the youth's (the caller) home was searched and no "bomb making materials" were found.

Agencies assisting the sheriff's department and school officials during the ordeal were New Brockton police, fire and rescue personnel, members of the Zion Chapel volunteer Fire Department, Alabama State Troopers, and the bomb squad from Ft. Rucker.



QUESTION & ANSWER Superintendent of County Schools Rodger Bowden and Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates answer news media's questions concerning bomb threat at special called news conference.

Arrested was a 17-year-old male who lives in New Brockton and had dropped out of school more than a year ago (December of 1997). He has been charged with two counts of rendering a false alarm which is a Class C felony due to the fact that the facility housed handicapped individuals.

Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates and Coffee County Schools Superintendent Rodger Bowden held a joint news conference Monday afternoon to recap the day's events.

According to Sheriff Moates, the first call was made to the New Brockton High School at 11:13 a.m. and shortly afterwards, at 11:25 a.m., a second call was received at the Zion Chapel Elementary School.

"We're proud to say that within 20 minutes of the call we had a 17-year-old male juvenile in custody," said Moates. "He is expected to be charged as a juvenile with expectations of having him stand trial as an adult."

The sheriff nor school officials would reveal how the "caller" was caught in such a swift manner; however, modern technology has enhanced greatly the changes of a person NOT GETTING AWAY WITH making such calls now or in the future.

Superintendent Bowden noted

recently updated (initiated in 1988) was already in the hands of the staff at both schools for review when this unfortunate incident occurred, and they were able to follow it as a guideline for dealing with the situation. The plan is presently before the members of the Coffee County Board of Education for formal approval which is expected at their next meeting.

Dale Kelley, principal at New Brockton High School, said that 275 students were evacuated from the buildings and moved to the stadium for their safety while authorities, assisted by "bomb sniffing canines" from Ft. Rucker. They remained in the stadium until shortly before 2 p.m. at which time school was dismissed early.

Elementary students in New Brockton were dismissed at the same time due to the fact that they ride the same buses as high school students. The elementary school was not involved in the evacuation process since it is located nearly two miles from the high school.

At Zion Chapel more than 700 students were evacuated to the foot-hall stadium where they remained until 2 p.m. at which time school was also dismissed at this facility. Elementary students were involved in this evacuation because grades

New Brockton's town council meeting short and routine

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council kept their monthly meeting Monday evening brief and to the point. The council zipped through the eleven-item agenda in less than thirty minutes.

Most of the matters of business were routine. Council members approved the first reading of a new ordinance dealing with regulations and provisions for manufactured housing within the town limits. The council will vote on the ordinance at its next meeting.

Also under the heading of new business, approval was given to purchase advertisement to go on stadium cushions to be sold by the local athletic club as a fund raising project. And, two resolutions were signed by council members allowing application to be made on a CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) to fund a housing rehabilitation project in the town.

Turning to matters of "unfinished business," Mayor Britt Lee reported that the burning of peanut hulls reported at the last council meeting had been taken care of. Officials from Sessions Peanut Company have assured the mayor that everything will be taken care of properly.

Mayor Lee reported that the land development on Medley Road was proceeding in a timely manner. Several members of the council expressed concern of the drainage problem on the road and requested this development be monitored closely by the mayor.

A committee of three - Billy Roberts, Austin Mixon and John Grisett - was appointed to assist the local Boy Scouts in the final preparation of the old Jr. Food Store.

Payment of the monthly bills totaling \$27,470.11 was approved by the council.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported that his department has investigated 12 complaints during the month, made 8 arrests, issued 34 citations and investigated 3 wrecks with no injuries. He told council members that the fire department had responded to 3 fires while the rescue squad had made no runs during the month. Animal control personnel had taken 9 dogs to the dog pound in Elba.

Mayor Lee reminded everyone that the town employees will observe the Memorial Day holiday on Monday, May 31, and the next council meeting will be on Monday, June 7, at 7 p.m. in the council chamber located in city hall.



SUPERMARKET OPENS...Elba Market Place celebrated its grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, April 28th, at 8 a.m. On hand for the celebration was a large crowd of local officials, vendors, local beauties and a large crowd of "shoppers." Members of the local Chamber of Commerce and the new store's staff made everyone feel welcome. Pictured above are (l-r): Kaye Whitworth, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce; Leslie Stinson, Miss Elba; Ricky Treadwell, district manager for the grocery chain; Courtney Parrish, Little Miss Elba; Allen Hagler, store manager; James Grimes, mayor of Elba; Donald Thames, store employee; Nikki Fuller, Future Little Miss Elba; Shay Johnson, Junior Miss Elba; and many other attendees for the ceremony.

Dorsey & Union reach agreement

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

A brief labor stoppage at Dorsey Trailers this past weekend officially ended Monday when union members voted to accept a compromise agreement hammered out in what was reported to be intense negotiations throughout the weekend.

International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local Lodge No. 1769, which represents the hourly employees of the Elba plant began picketing the plant during the weekend, however company officials explained that there was never any actual work stoppage, due to the weekend off days.

After word of a proposed settlement to be voted on Monday morning and acceptance recommended by union management, the work

stoppage was halted and employees continued to work pending the outcome of the vote by union members.

The new three year collective bargaining agreement was approved by the rank and file, as had been predicted by union officials. Details of the new contract have not been released, but union members said after the vote results was announced that it included an extra \$100 for each employee if the contract was approved that day.

Company Chairman and CEO Marilyn Marks said, "One of the benefits of the new contract language will be increased flexibility for employee work assignments, which will allow more consistent work flow through the plant and quicker response time to customer needs. This new contract flexibility will give the Elba plant improved

competitiveness through the ability to better balance work and increase productivity. We are appreciative of our employees' commitment to increased productivity and providing superior value to Dorsey's customers.

The company recently reported increased and profit for the first quarter of this year, a drastic change from financial losses in recent years.

All employees returned to work in full force on Tuesday.

News Brief

Once again, Coffee County's Farm-City Committee has taken top honors in state competition. Last week during the Alabama Farm-City Award banquet held in Birmingham, the committee won Best Overall in Division I competition which includes counties with populations of more than 35,600. Last year the committee was runner-up. This year, Coffee County also was recognized for the Best media Coverage. Coffee County's neighbor to the north, Pike County, took Best Overall honors in Division II for the second year in a row. They were also recognized for having the Best Farm-City Tour, Proclamation Award and Best Special Activities. Farm-City Week is observed nationally each year on the eve of Thanksgiving as a means of providing a better understanding between rural and urban residents.

Area Happenings

SAUSAGE FESTIVAL & COUNTY FAIR The Elba Chamber of Commerce will host the First Annual Old Time County Fair and Sausage Festival this Saturday, May 8, at the Heart of Dixie Music Park from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Among the numerous events planned for the day, there will be various entertainers performing. Scheduled performances are as follows: 10 a.m. - EHS Jazz Band; 11 a.m. - Stratton Seniors; 11:30 a.m. - Kountry Folk Kloggers; 12 Noon - (The Studio) Colquett School of Dance Competition Team; 12:30 p.m. Ashlee Spears; 1 p.m. Southside Shufflers; 1:30 p.m. - Dixie Land Cloggers; 2 p.m. - Classic Country Little Cloggers; 2:30 p.m. - Classic Country Cloggers; 3 p.m. - (The Studio) Colquett School of Dance Competition Team. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy these performances along with the many other events planned throughout the day. Admission to the event will be \$3 for adults; \$1 for youth and children under 3 will be admitted free.

NATIVE AMERICAN FESTIVAL The Southeast Pioneer Village, Hwy. 231, eight miles north of Troy, AL, is having its annual Native American Festival, Saturday, May 8, 1999, 9 a.m. until. Festival includes arts & crafts, food, entertainment, campfire Saturday night and primitive camping. Intertribal dancers welcome. All vendors welcome free of charge. Call (334) 366-3896 Saturday or Sunday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to reserve your booth space. Will take reservations until all booth spaces are filled. Free admission, good food, family fun and activities.

COMMISSION MEETING The Coffee County Commission will hold its bi-monthly meeting Monday morning, May 10, 1999, at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room located in the County Complex in New Brockton, AL.

CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY The United States Postal Service and New Brockton's Postmaster, in appreciation of the town of New Brockton's continued patronage, will be having "Customer Appreciation Day" May 19. The New Brockton Postal Service employees ask that you join them on May 19 from 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. for coffee and doughnuts. The office is located at 311 s. John St., New Brockton.

WEIGHT WATCHERS CLASS Weight Watchers will begin classes in Elba on Thursday, May 13. The class will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will be held at the Senior Citizens Center. For more information contact Kaye Whitworth at 897-3125 or 897-3669.



ONE SERIOUSLY INJURED...A one vehicle car crash seriously injured James Earl Daniels, 30, of Elba. The crash occurred between 7 and 7:30 p.m. last Saturday night when the 1987 Pontiac Grand Am Daniels was driving left the road and overturned on North Claxton Avenue inside the city limits of Elba. Daniels, the lone occupant of the vehicle, was removed by emergency personnel and transported to Elba General Hospital by Coffee County EMS. He was later airlifted to a Dothan hospital where he remains in critical condition. The incident was investigated by Elba police officers Kenneth Jackson and Mark Anderson. Members of the Elba Fire Departments assisted medical personnel at the scene.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Bomb threat caller is caught! We suggest that be a lesson to any other person with the same "not so bright" ideas. The penalty for such pranks can be quite stiff. On Monday Coffee County got its share of the copy cat bomb threats to local schools. That sort of activity has been sweeping the nation ever since the tragic killings in Colorado a couple of weeks ago. We salute our county law enforcement and school officials for the way this situation was handled. Private conversations with leaders of the schools and various county law enforcement officials have left us confident they were as prepared as anyone can be for this sort of thing and reality proved the confidence well placed. There are a number of stories floating around about why this young seventeen year old dropout decided to make the two calls, but none of them, even if true, make any sense to our simple way of thinking.

What will happen in the Alabama Legislature is anyone's guess, and it can only be a guess right now because politics often take funny turns. This year it is especially true. However, the ones being heard from Montgomery during the week-end were that the Governor's budget bills would pass, with some modifications, plus the general fund and the education budgets will probably pass, but that is about all in this regular session. Don't bet your entire paycheck on the general fund passing either because there are still a lot of varying ideas among lawmakers.

We can like or dislike the Reverend Jesse Jackson, his ideas or his actions, but the man makes things happen. In spite of Washington types "losing face" this past weekend when Jackson successfully won the release of the three Americans being held as POW's "over yonder," most Americans are relieved that these three young men are now back safely with their U.S. buddies. There is that slightly out of fashion saying, "He can talk the talk but he can also walk the walk." We think it means a person can fulfill his promises.

Sunday is Mother's Day. Please take whatever time is necessary to show your mother just how much she is loved. One day you will no longer have the opportunity... we know from personal experience.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of April 27, 1999, through May 3, 1999. They were: Charles Everett Kelley, Hazel Parker, Maria Caldwell, Alvin Hurt, Angela Marshall, Margaret L. Larkins, Bell Whitton, Ruth Cox, Melinda Jones, Wayne Swain, Christopher Gilley, Emma Lee, Allen Belcher, Ruth Cox, Shirley Hopkins, Denise Bennett, Joe Deane, Jeremy Cook, Betty Driggers, Roy Nash, Houston-Bedsides, Odessa Osborne, and Dallas Harbuck.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Brenda Nelson, Peggy Sue Wyatt, Ronald Sanders, Charles Hurd, Joshua Parrish, Martin Caldwell, James Smith, Hazel Parker, Alvin Hurt, Charles Everett Kelley, Angela Marshall, Margaret L. Larkins, Bell Whitton, Emma Haskins, Wayne Swain, Christopher Gilley, Ruth Cox, Melinda Jones, Jeremy Cook, Emma Lee, Denise Bryan, Betty Driggers, and Shirley Hopkins.

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, April 26, 1999, investigated the following incidents: five thefts of property, one forgery, one public intoxication, one menacing, five harassments, three assaults, two giving false information, one VPL, and two DUI.

The following arrests were made during the week: one for public intoxication, one on a juvenile pick-up order, one for VPL, one for assault, one on a fugitive from justice warrant, and one for negotiation of a worthless negotiable instrument.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: ten for speeding, three of driving while driver's license are suspended, one for driver's license required, and two for DUI.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows: MONDAY, APRIL 26 - River stage 3.22 feet (6:44 a.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on Taylor Avenue (3:07 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (5:08 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 27 - Alarm at Hardee's (3:52 a.m.); River stage 3.16 feet (6:17 a.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to Mullins Apartments (4:59 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on Co. Rd. 306 (5:38 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan (5:08 p.m.); Fight reported on Sawyer Street (11:49 p.m.).

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28 - River stage 3.52 feet (6:40 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to a lawn mower fire on AL Hwy. 166 (6:29 p.m.); Fight reported on West Street (7:26 p.m.); Disturbance reported in Powell's Trailer Court on Caroline Street (9:33 p.m.). THURSDAY, APRIL 29 - River stage 3.62 feet (6:32 a.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to a residence on Guyton Street (6:16 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the Carmichael residence (6:18 p.m.); Alarm at Windham's (11:16 p.m.).

FRIDAY, APRIL 30 - River stage 3.58 feet (6:33 p.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to a wreck on AL Hwy. 125 (2:25 p.m.); Coffee County EMS made a medical transfer from Elba General Hospital to a Dothan hospital (7:06 p.m.). SATURDAY, MAY 1 - Wreck reported on AL Hwy. 189N (4:37 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck on AL Hwy. 189N (4:39 a.m.); Minor wreck reported at the Post office (9:32 a.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to Kendrick Apartments (2:15 p.m.); Wreck reported at River on S. Hwy. 84E (4:24 p.m.); Wreck reported on AL Hwy. 189N (7:31 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to the wreck on AL Hwy. 189N (7:33 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to the wreck on AL Hwy. 189N (7:34 p.m.); Elba Fire Department dispatched to Elba General Hospital to stand by for a patient (7:41 p.m.).

SUNDAY, MAY 2 - Alarm at Kelley Foods (6:06 a.m.); River stage 3.59 feet (6:09 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Adkins Street (8:55 a.m.); Wreck reported on Simmons Street (11:12 a.m.); Alarm at the National Guard Armory (12:56 p.m.); Disturbance reported on the Troy Highway (6:18 p.m.); Disturbance reported on Wayne Street (7:37 p.m.).

BULLETIN BOARD

- SOCIAL SECURITY REP. Court House, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call FRIDAY 1-800-772-1213
- ROTARY CLUB - Tuesday @ Noon - First Free Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
- ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN. Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
- ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mondays 6 p.m. City Hall
- WATER & ELECTRIC - Tuesday following 2nd Monday 6 p.m. City Hall
- COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION - 2nd & 4th Mondays - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton
- LIONS CLUB - 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizens Center
- ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
- RESCUE SQUAD 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. Rescue Sq. Bldg.
- MASSONIC LODGE 170 - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m.
- BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School
- VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30-4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 904-5888
- COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN. 3rd Sat. 3 p.m. Club House
- COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN 3rd Wed. Noon Colony Inn, Enterprise
- AIRPORT AUTHORITY - 1st Tuesday at noon, City Hall Conference Room
- AARP meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month
- CIVIL AIR PATROL - Every Monday 7 p.m. Elba Airport, Dothan Hwy.
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Brunson publishes third edition of book

Marion Brunson, former Probate Judge of Coffee County, educator, local author and historian, has recently published a third edition of his popular book, *Pea River Logic*.

The book is a great collection of old sayings, signs, home remedies, adages and words of wisdom. This folklore is a homespun culture telling much of the colorful history of the Pea River area of Southeast Alabama.

This popular book has been out of print for several years, and there has been continued interest for the purchase of *Pea River Logic* - "hand-me-downs from grandpa's trunk."

The unique illustrations were created by retired educator, Mary Rollins of Enterprise. They represent an old man, grandpa, and two boys pulling important things from the family trunk where valuables were often kept. This depicts Judge Brunson and his two sons, Bailey and Matt, handing down valuable wisdom from one generation to another.

Another of Judge Brunson's popular books, *Pea River Reflections*, a collection of short stories, now in its fourth edition is also available. The two books are companions and make very good reading for anyone with roots in this area of Alabama. They both contain much early culture and history of the area.

These books are available locally at the Briar Patch and from several book stores in Enterprise, Ala. The author also has copies of the books available.

Brunson acknowledged the help of many, many individuals in collecting material for his books and said they could have not been written without them.

"Every generation has its own moments of excitement," said Brunson. "Important things are remembered for a life time only if they are passed on to younger generations."

From The House...

by Congressman Terry Everett

Federal Government Fails Second Audit

Unfortunately it was not an April fool's joke. On April first, the results of the second ever federal government-wide financial audit were released, and for the second year in a row, Uncle Sam's financial bookkeeping is in a mess.

Significant financial system weaknesses, problems with fund-raising, incomplete documentation, and weak internal controls, including computer controls, continue to prevent the government from accurately reporting a significant portion of its assets, liabilities, and costs. This was the conclusion of the U.S. General Accounting Office that was assigned the duty by Congress in 1993 to perform the annual federal government audit.

The Government Management and Reform Act, passed by Congress in 1993, required the first ever federal government audit in 1997 as well as continuing audits to determine where waste and abuse might exist within the vast federal bureaucracy. The federal government controls a budget of some \$1.8 trillion in taxpayer dollars. Given such an enormous annual operating budget with little oversight, until now, the federal bureaucracy is rife with sloppy record keeping and lax accounting.

Former Kleiner's Inc. employees eligible for benefits

Current and former employees of Kleiner's, Inc. in Elba could be eligible for benefits under the federal Trade Act of 1974. A petition filed on behalf of the employees was certified by the U.S. Department of Labor on March 31, 1999, according to an announcement by Alice McKinney, director of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations. The U.S. Department of Labor found that workers may have become unemployed as a result of increased imports. The petition covers periods of unemployment occurring on or after February 1, 1998, and before the termination date of March 31, 2001.

Under the Trade Act of 1974, displaced workers may be eligible for subsidized vocational training, job search assistance, and relocation allowances.

If they have exhausted their cash benefits under other state and federal unemployment compensation programs, they could be eligible for additional weekly payments equivalent to the amount they were receiving under other programs. Kleiner's employees who are eligible for benefits under the program will be notified in writing by the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations as soon as they are identified.



Marion Brunson and Mary Rollins look at a copy of the third edition of *Pea River Logic*

Brunson has dedicated all his books to his wife, Nancy Cowart Brunson, and his two sons, Bailey and Matt.

The Judge, as he likes to be called, is often invited by local librarians in both public and school libraries to come and share in person his writings with the young children by reading to them. He has yet to refuse to do so.

Besides the two books mentioned

above, Brunson has authored: *The Brunson Family*, *Our Cowart Family*, *Blanchard & Allen Families*, *Bailey & Sagers History*, and *Brunson Reunion Cookbook*.

Judge Brunson and Nancy now enjoy a leisurely lifestyle on Brunson Hill and by spending a great deal of time at their beach home located at Santa Monica Beach on the Gulf of Mexico.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

The AARP in Alabama has called on Governor Siegelman to oppose binding arbitration clauses in insurance contracts and other forms of consumer contracts for products and services. We've also urged the governor to repeal his predecessor's policy on this issue.

The reasons are simple. Under binding arbitration, the parties agree to comply with the determination of the arbitrator, thereby waiving the right to have a judge or jury ever hear the consumer's complaint. Binding arbitration is particularly troublesome when consumers must agree to it as a condition of doing business, before they can possibly evaluate the potential advantages and disadvantages of pursuing litigation, arbitration, or any other form of dispute resolution.

As with many other provisions in standard contracts, binding arbitration clauses are often written in small print and technical language, and consumers are frequently unaware of their existence or meaning.

There are additional disadvantages for consumers. These include very limited access to documents and other information; limited knowledge on which to base the choice of an arbitrator (who is likely to be better known by the insurance industry); the absence of a requirement that arbitrators follow the law or issue written decisions; and, the extremely limited grounds for appealing an arbitrator's decision.

For these reasons, we believe binding arbitration is bad public policy. Please join us in urging Governor Siegelman to end it.

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Gloria Walker

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BOWDEN FAMILY

We would like to express our thanks for the kind words, flowers, cards, food and other acts of kindness shown during the recent loss of our father and brother, GERARD LEE BOWDEN. The thoughtfulness of our friends, relatives and neighbors will never be forgotten.

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AREA DEATHS

ROBERT W. (BOB) BREWER
Mr. Robert W. Brewer, age 54, died April 23, 1999 at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, Tenn.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 8, 1999 at Dorsey Funeral Home in Lake Worth, Fla. at 10 a.m. Mr. Brewer will be scattered at sea during a private family ceremony.

Survivors include his wife: Pearlite Brewer, Starkville, MI; three daughters: Karen (Michael) Tyree, Starkville, MI, Sharon (James) Tyree, Cochise, AZ, Pamela Brewer, Hypoluxo, Fla.; a grandson: Justin Tyree, Cochise, AZ; future son-in-law: Douglas Holland.

MIKE GLENN FULLER
Mr. Mike Glenn Fuller, age 60, of 3145 North Gladys, Rosemead, Calif., died April 26, 1999 at Queen of the Valley Hospital.

Graveside services were held in the Evergreen Cemetery of Elba on

May 1, 1999 with Minister R. Fuller and Minister Greg Hanchey officiating. Burial followed in the cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Fuller was preceded in death by his father, A.D. Fuller Sr.; his mother, Katie Fuller; a brother, A.D. Fuller Jr.; and a sister, Nell Danford. Survivors include five sisters: Madeline Dismukes, Panama City Beach, Fla., Peggy F. Brunson, Enterprise, Anne Phelps, Elba, Pat Boswell, Birmingham, Therese McCarty, Dothan; three brothers: Roy Fuller, Elba, Harvel Fuller, Elba, Lloyd Fuller, Enterprise.

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Robert Inman is an Elba native, a University of Alabama graduate, and a former television news anchor. He lives in Charlotte, North Carolina.

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LIFESTYLES

Mae Snellgrove to be honored on birthday

The children of Mae M. Snellgrove cordially invite all friends and relatives to a birthday celebration in honor of their Mother's 80th Birthday. The celebration will take place at Aunt B's Bed and Breakfast, located at 717 Davis Street, Elba, on Saturday, May 8, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. No gifts please, and it is a casual dress event.

Elba Elementary School to help collect for food drive

Elba Elementary School has accepted a challenge from WZTZ and PEPPI to help collect non-perishable food items for Elba's people in need. The reason for the food drive is that there are hungry people who don't have enough food to eat. The food drive is being conducted like a contest in that the two winning classes (K-3 and 4-6) will receive a pizza and Pepsi party on Thursday, May 13, at 1:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Food items are being collected through May 7, and all items collected will be picked up on May 10 and delivered to the Elba Christian Mission store where they will be available during the year for people who need help with food.



Madalyn Brooke Kelley
Madalyn Brooke Kelley celebrates first birthday

Madalyn Brooke Kelley celebrated her first birthday on April 25 at her home with her parents, Scott and Sabrina Kelley, grandparents, Everett and Irene Kelley and Steve and Hazel Patton; and other family members.

Also helping her celebrate were her twin brothers, Connor and Jaron.



Tiffany Parrish, daughter of Laciada and Jason Parrish, will celebrate her third birthday on May 7. A "teletubbie" party in Tiffany's honor will be held on Saturday, May 8, with all her family and friends.



Mr. Moore and Miss Henderson

Henderson-Moore plan June wedding

Terry and Pat Henderson of Kinston announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Keri Anne Henderson, to Ara Dee Moore, son of Ricky and Amelia Moore of Opp.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Elizabeth Henderson and the late James L. Henderson of Kinston. The groom is employed in Elba. The wedding will take place on Saturday, June 12, 1999 at 6 p.m. at Ino Baptist Church on Hwy. 134, Kinston. There will be a reception following the ceremony in the fellowship hall of the church. All friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend.

Bill Hickman to be guest conductor at EHS Band Concert on May 11th

Former Elba High School Band Director Bill Hickman will be guest conductor of the Elba High School Band on Tuesday night, May 11. There will be a reception for Mr. Hickman before the concert from 5:30 until 6:30 p.m., and the concert will begin at 7 p.m.

Mr. Hickman has been a high school director for the past thirty years. His bands have won national and state level contests beginning with his 1970 Elba High School Band that won third place at the Peach Bowl National Marching Contest in Atlanta. Over the years, his bands have won hundreds of awards for excellence in marching and concert performance.

Mr. Hickman is a recipient of the National Band Association's "Citation of Excellence" and was inducted into the National High School Band Directors' Hall of Fame in 1995. In 1996, Mr. Hickman was selected as "National Educator of the Month" by Channel One Educational Television and was featured weekly in a show about him and his Midfield High School Band.

Mr. Hickman has served as a judge and clinician for band programs in 24 states. Within the past three years, he has traveled to England twice and to France to work with music educators from the European countries. He will travel to the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany this June to make preparations for his band's trip to those countries in April of 2000.

In December of this year, he will return to Paris to judge their New Year's Day Parade.

Mr. Hickman has been the director of music education for the Midfield City Schools in Midfield, Ala. for the past five years. His wife, Pam, is employed in

Elba C.O.C. Sausage Festival planned for this Saturday

If you like Kelley's Sausage, Elba, Alabama is the place to be on Saturday, May 8. The First Annual Old Time County Fair and Sausage Festival will begin at 9 a.m. at the Heart of Dixie Music Park located four miles west of Elba on Highway 166.

Along with sausage cooked in various ways, there will be a sausage-calling contest, tug of war, greased pole climbing, sausage recipe cook-off, Mother's Day essay contest, and many different children's activities, along with arts and crafts. Also, 1st Annual County Fair and Sausage Festival shirts will be on sale.

There will be a classic car show that is guaranteed to capture the interest of car lovers. Entertainment is set to begin at 10 a.m. with the High School Jazz Band, cloggers, line dancers, both young and old. There will even be a "Kiss the Pig" booth set up by one vendor to help raise money for relay for life.

Tickets will be sold at the gate for \$3 adults and \$1 youth. Children under three will be free. Half of the gate money will be donated to the Elba High School Band. There will be purchase band uniforms. This event is sponsored by the Elba Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact Kaye Whitworth at 334-897-3125.

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***Eastern Star "Spring Tea" Volusia Chapter #306 will be Saturday, May 15, at 5 p.m. It will be hosted by the Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church of Enterprise. The speaker will be Sister Christine Evans.

***The Youth Department of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Needmore will hold a gospel singing on Sunday, May 30, at 3 p.m. The singing will feature: Iacodina Senior Choir, Piney Grove Male Chorus, Mt. Zion China Grove Choir and others.

all the trimmings along with the center of attraction, the birthday cake. The family enjoyed being together again. There were "kin folk" from all over the U.S.

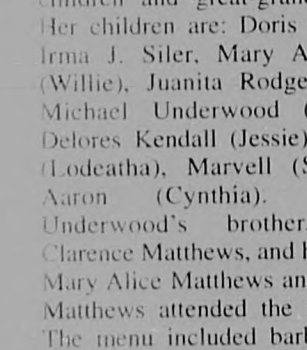
For all the words of encouragement and the gifts from family and guests, Adell says, "Thanks."

Today is a good day, be grateful! Eria



Adell Underwood celebrated 70th birthday

On March 20, 1999, Mrs. Adell Underwood celebrated her 70th birthday at her home in Opp, Ala. This was a special occasion because she was blessed with the presence of all her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her children are: Doris Coleman, Irma J. Siler, Mary Ann Tillis (Willie), Juanita Rodgers (J.C.), Michael Underwood (Thelma), Delores Kendall (Jessie), William (Lodeath), Marvell (Shannon), Aaron (Cynthia), Mrs. Underwood's brother, Eddie Clarence Matthews, and her sisters, Mary Alice Matthews and Maebell Matthews attended the festivities. The menu included barbecue and



Gary Allen 617 W. Davis Phone 897-2234

Groce Christian Fellowship to have revival services May 9-14

Groce Christian Fellowship Assembly of God Church will be having revival services May 9-14. The evangelist will be Henry and Sherry Johnson of Pensacola, Fla.

Mother's Day Musical Concert to be held at Johns Chapel AME this Sunday

Johns Girls, Inc., of Johns Chapel AME Church, 841 Geneva Highway, Enterprise, will sponsor The Carver High School Honors Choir from Montgomery in a "Mother's Day Musical Concert" on Sunday, May 9, at 6 p.m. Mr. Henry Terry, music director of the choir, is a native of Elba. Everyone is invited to attend.

C.C. Unit of American Cancer Society sponsoring 7th Annual Relay For Life

Coffee County Unit of the American Cancer Society is sponsoring the 7th Annual Relay For Life on Friday, May 14. The relay will begin at 7 p.m. and lasts all night long, ending at 7 a.m. on Saturday morning. 73 teams have signed up to participate in this event with all team members raising money for the American Cancer Society. A luminary ceremony will be held at 10 p.m. which honors cancer survivors and remembers those who have lost their lives. Join the many volunteers at the track at Enterprise State Junior College for a fun filled evening. For more information, call Linda Andrews at 347-3411 or the Coffee County American Cancer Society office at 308-9619.

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"And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends." (Job 42:10)

Prayer changes everything; it changes the one who prays, and it changes the one prayed for. I read recently the story of a young woman in the hospital, far from home and family, drifting in and out of consciousness. Several times she became aware of a woman's voice praying for her salvation, as well as her physical healing. At one point, a physician described her condition as critical, warning those present in the room that she might not survive. She heard all of this as if she were in a stupor, unable to respond. Then she heard a second voice, one that spoke in faith: "Doctor, I respect what you say, but I cannot accept it. I've been praying, and I believe she will not only recover, but she will walk out of here and live for God."

Before long, the young woman did walk out of that hospital and return to work. It was then she learned that it had been her boss's wife (whom she had met only twice) who had stood in the gap, interceding for her at her hospital bed. When she attempted to thank this woman for her prayers she replied, "Don't thank me, thank God. Others have prayed for me. Their prayers changed my life. I believe God has great plans for you!"

It was more than five years before she gave her life to Christ, but all the while, she never forgot how a faithful woman of God had believed He would answer prayer.

Have someone's prayers for you brought a change in your life? Be assured, your prayers for others will too!

Westside Baptist Church to host Magnificent Mondays

Westside Baptist Church will be hosting Magnificent Mondays for the Master each Monday night during the month of June from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Children, grades K-6, please call the church office at 897-2520. Activities will include Bible drills and lessons, music and crafts. This will be a wonderful opportunity for children. For more information, please call the church office at 897-2520.

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Co-Op Spotlight



by Deana Gifford

This week's spotlight focuses on Brandie Harrison. Brandie is an employee at Elba Elementary School where she does staff. She is the daughter of Danny and Sherry Harrison and is a senior this year. Brandie is a member of FBLA, FFA, and VICA. In her free time, she enjoys mud riding, hanging out with friends, and talking on the phone.

Although her plans are indefinite right now, Brandie is considering attending LBW and transferring to Troy State University where she will major in Radiology.

We are proud to shine this week's Co-Op Spotlight on Brandie Harrison.

Honors Day

by Laura Crowe

Honors Day will be held May 6 (TODAY) in the Elba High School Auditorium. It will begin at 1:30 p.m. Seniors will be rewarded with scholarships and academic recognition. Parents of the Senior Class of 1999 are invited to attend.

Tiger Tales



Anna Maddox

Editor

Daniel Murdock

Jessica Parks Assists Carnley

Senior Jessica Parks recently used her computer skills by typing the new registration guide for Elba High School.

The registration guide will assist students and school counselor, Mike Carnley, in preparing schedules for the 1999-2000 school year. Jessica, a business student and FBLA member, worked many hours typing and proofreading the document.

Thanks Jessica for a job well done!



Elba Competes In LBW Social Science Tournament

On April 19, four students from Elba High School traveled to LBW Junior College to participate in the 11th Annual Social Science Tournament.

Mrs. Weeks accompanied the students as Daniel Ward, Daniel Murdock, Justin Maddox, and Bucky Carlie answered a flurry of questions in seven different rounds of competition.

The format is similar to game shows where the team buzzes in first will have an opportunity to

answer the question, then if the first team answers incorrectly the opposing team can buzz in for their opportunity to answer the question. Only one individual from each team can give an answer and the team-mates cannot discuss the question amongst themselves.

Good luck to next year's team in hopes they can build on this year's team's success.

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Elba Elementary School Menu

May 10 - 14, 1999

BREAKFAST

Monday - Cinnamon Toast, Applesauce, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tuesday - Pancakes w/Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Wednesday - Biscuits, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Cheese Sandwich, 1/2 Orange, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Friday - Cheese Grits, Cereal, Toast/Jelly, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday - Steak Fingers, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Fried Okra, Peach half, Milk
Tuesday - Taco Salad, Cheese, Corn on Cob 1/2 Apple, Milk
Wednesday - Chicken, Rice, English Peas, Roll, 1/2 Orange, Milk
Thursday - Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce, Salad, Green Beans, Crackers, Fruit Cocktail, Milk
Friday - Ham Sandwich, Tater Tots, Corn, Jello w/topping, Milk

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EES Celebrates Grandparents' Day

by Cameron Irwin

On Thursday, April 22, our grandparents came to Elba Elementary School. Most classes wrote stories, made cards, or drew pictures for their grandparents.

They also stayed for refreshments. One grandmother had 9 grandchildren in the Elementary School and High School combined (That's the most out of all the grandparents that came!!).

The grandparents who came the farthest for grandparent's day were Louise and Ronald Elrod. My grandparents came from Selma, Alabama.

I hope all of the grandparents enjoyed their visit to our school and getting to see their grandchildren.

Thank you and love off to all Grandparents!!! Grandparents you are #1!



Several students are pictured above with visiting grandparents

Letters To Editor Express Opinions

In Mrs. Collins third block enrichment class, as a final activity on their library unit, "Using the Newspaper," all students elected to write letters to the editor about year round school.

The vote was overwhelmingly against it—six favored it and sixteen were against it. Although the letters were all thought provoking, only a limited number can be printed.

A panel of three teachers read and ranked the letters for submission to the "Tiger Tales" staff.

The following student's letters were selected:

Dear Editor:
I am writing on year-round school. I am against it because it would get in the way of summer activities. We would not have time for band or cheerleader camps. It would also be hard for people who need summer school. If the person needed to take the course again, he would have to take it the next year. This is why I am against year-round school.

Sincerely,
Katie Driggers

Dear Editor:
I think that year-round school is a bad idea. We love summer and like breaks. The band will not have any time to learn the halftime show. Most teenagers earn the money that they need during the summer. Summer break is a time for our brains to rest. I think that if we have year-round school, there will be more stress on all of us. This is my opinion.

Sincerely,
Jessica Sanford

Dear Editor:
I am writing to share my opinion on year-round school. I believe that we should have year-round school. We would have more vacations. It would mean a shorter summer break but more breaks between when we really need them. There would be less time between the end of one year and the beginning of the next. This would give us less time to forget what we learned that year, so we should not have to spend so much time reviewing. In addition we would have two weeks for spring break and possibly three weeks for Christmas vacation. I know that I would like that.

Sincerely,
Christy R. Eubanks

Dear Editor:
I like that thought of year-round

school. We would not forget what we learned the year before, and would not have to do all the extra review at the first of the next year. I think year-round school would be great.

Sincerely,
Lucy J. Carlie

Dear Editor:
I think that going to school all year around is a bad decision. It is unfair to students who use their summers vacation to study, to socialize, and to visit relatives. Students need time besides the weekend to relax and take their minds off studying, getting paddled, or being suspended. The students of EHS work really hard and deserve their nearly three months of summer vacation. I really think the board of education should either think harder or compromise on this decision.

Sincerely,
Tunisia Thigpen

Dear Editor:
We should change our school system to year-round. I believe we should have a resting period after each nine weeks. This system allows us to do this with two weeks after every nine weeks. This could be a time to prepare the mind for the next nine weeks. Year round school is a payment for going to school.

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Math Intern

by Carissa Walker

Ms. Stacey Carnley is a Troy State University intern under the supervision of Mrs. Lori McCrory. Stacey is from Opp, Ala. When asked what inspired her to be a math teacher she said, "My sixth grade math teacher made me want to become one. She always made everything interesting and I love working with older students."

Stacey will complete her internship in June and is a graduating senior. She has a job next year in the Tuscaloosa City Schools where she will teach math.



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Coffee County Business Ed Advisory Council

at Kingston.

The Council met for the first time on September 28, 1998, at Kelly's Bar-B-Que in Elba. The invitation was given and a meal, compliments of Mr. Ted Roberts and SouthTrust Bank, was enjoyed by all present.

After the meal, Mrs. Bryan and Mrs. Grant explained the purposes for which an Advisory Council is formed, the preparations that were already underway for becoming industry certified, the proposal for a job shadowing project, and the requirements for the student organization, Future Business Leaders of America. The meeting was then adjourned.

The second meeting of the Advisory Council was on Monday, April 26, 1999, at Kelly's Bar-B-Que. The Coffee County business teachers, Mrs. Rachel Bryan, Mrs.

Antia Grant, Mrs. Diane Spivey, Mrs. Marsha Martin, and Joy Davis, were present. The members of the Council present were Mrs. Nadine Schloemer, Mrs. Carla Kelley, Mr. Jeff Kelley, and Mrs. Susan Sumblin. Mr. Everett Kelley could not be present, but he sent his son Scott in his place. Other guests present were the Parliamentary Procedure Team, Justin Law, Tara Grant, Morgan Hodge, Daphne Jinright, and Jessica Kelley, from Zion Chapel who won first place in the State FBLA Parliamentary Procedures competition and Paul McMonagle from New Brockton, who won second place in Computer Concepts. These six students will attend the Future Business Leaders of America National Leadership Conference, which will be held in Chicago from June 29 until July 3. They will compete again at this conference.

After introducing the FBLA winners, Mrs. Bryan explained a project with which the business teachers need help. She explained further that the project would be a job shadowing experience in exchange for some corporate sponsorships to help the students make the trip to Chicago. Each of the Council members present pledged their help securing corporate sponsors who would allow a student to have a job shadowing experience.

Next the agenda was a report that each of the three business departments are already ready for the Industry Certification Committee to visit the schools to see that each of the certification standards has been met.

The meeting was adjourned.

Jr.-Sr. Prom

by Angie Laney

Zion Chapel High School held its 1999 Jr./Sr. Prom on April 30 from 9 p.m.-12 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

The theme for the prom was "Lost in Your Eyes" and the colors were silver and blue. The DJ was from 5-Star DJ. The prom song this year was "Amazed" by Lonestar.

The leadout began at 8:30 p.m. It was held on the front steps of the school. The leadout was open to the public. Pictures were taken before and after the leadout.

BE CAREFUL!

Laney Presides Over FHA/HERO State Meeting

by Angie Laney

The 1999 FHA/HERO State Meeting was held on April 9, at the Montgomery Civic Center in Montgomery, Ala. Registration for the meeting began at 7:30 a.m. and lasted until 8:30 a.m. Registration was held in the lobby at the Civic Center. The meeting did not begin until 9 a.m.

The meeting began promptly at 9 a.m. in the main hall of the Civic Center. The meeting was opened by a president, Angie Laney, who lead the group in the opening ceremony. A welcome was given to all of the honored guests that were in the audience and several distinguished awards were given to teachers and other honored people that have helped with the development of the family and consumer sciences education program.

The theme was introduced and explained to the group. The theme for the state meeting was "Unmask Your Potential." After the morning's activities the business meeting was started.

At the business meeting, the minutes from last year's state meeting were discussed, as well as, a financial report and an audit report. Reports on both this summer's national meeting and next year's Cluster Meetings were given. After all of the business was taken care of, Nancy Beggs, the acting director, Career Technical Education, spoke to the group on how FHA members should always strive to achieve their dreams and to never give up. She also spoke about the Career Technical Education Program.

After speaking the business meeting

ended. After the business meeting, a few relaxers were conducted by the state officer team. The relaxers were done so that the stage could be prepared for the off-the-line show.

Officer elections were then held. The candidates from all of the districts were led on to the stage in groups and each gave a speech and answered a question. They selected a state officer. Then each state officer recited one of the purposes and a lit a candle to symbolize that purpose. After the completion of that ceremony, State Advisor Collette Davis spoke about leadership and made the newly elected state officers repeat a sentence reaffirming their faith and dedication to the organization. Then they were asked to leave the stage. The newly elected president and the old president then went to the podium. The old president then presented the badge of the office and gavel to the new president. The new president reaffirmed his faith to the organization and closed the meeting. This ended the 1999 FHA/HERO State Meeting.

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Views from

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

There must be something about the last week in April that we don't know about, and Melissa must learn to avoid! Last year Melissa was at softball practice the last week in April and got her nose broken by an errant throw, while last week she was at practice and suffered a severely bruised finger when hit by a batted ball. She managed to play in three games with the broken nose, but the bruised finger made it impossible to bat, and caused her to miss her first games in three years. Maybe next year she can just sit in the dugout during this time of danger.

ONCE OVER, NOT ALWAYS SO LIGHTLY....

***The Elba Tigers were huge underdogs heading into last week's second round playoff clash with St. James, but played well enough to win in all but one inning and were eliminated 4-1 by the highly-touted Trojans. Elba managed only two hits off the St. James pitchers, however, it was all they needed through four innings as the Tigers' Brandon Salter blanked the Trojans' heavy hitters. A couple of errors in the fifth inning led to four unearned runs for St. James, and the Tigers failed to rally and took the loss. Not many Elba Tiger baseball fans expected the Tigers to have a winning record this season, much less make it to the second round of the playoffs, but the Tigers closed out the year with a 12-11 slate and did indeed make it to round two of the playoffs. Coach David Lowery and his players are to be commended for their hard work and dedication. Good job!

***The playoff loss to St. James also brought to an end the coaching career at Elba High School for David Lowery. Coach Lowery came to Elba as a young assistant football coach under Mack Wood, and while on the coaching staff helped guide the Tigers to two state championships as the team's defensive coordinator. Coach Lowery also took over the baseball reins after Coach Rick Rainer left back in '88, and made the Tigers annual participants in the high school playoffs, including one trip to the semifinals. Coach David Lowery was well liked by his students and fellow teachers, and will certainly be missed. Good luck Coach!

***The Elba Lady Tigers saw their record slip to 15-15 last week in high school softball with a double-header loss to Andalusia. The Lady Tigers have two games left in the regular season before this weekend's Sectional Tournament, and some how need to regroup in a hurry and reallocate themselves to being a winning team. The Lady Tigers should have a solid chance at making it to sub-state if they play well in the tournament, and the girls should know what it takes to win games after playing a 32-game regular season. C'mon girls, wake up and show everyone what kind of team you really have.

***The rainy weather last Thursday afternoon washed out the youth baseball and softball games in Elba, but the rest of the week was filled with excitement, and runs crossing the plate. The action is non-stop in all the girls softball and boys baseball leagues, and if you haven't made it to a game this season, c'mon out and join the crowds at the parks. It is what is happening!

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Fifth inning errors prove fatal

Elba Tigers ousted by St. James 4-1

The Elba Tigers saw their trip through the Class 3A baseball playoffs come to an early end last week as the Tigers were eliminated by the St. James Trojans 4-1, in Montgomery.

The loss left the Tigers with a final record of 12-11, while St. James improved its slate to 22-10 with the win.

The second round playoff contest was a pitching duel between Elba's Brandon Salter and St. James' Michael Gallops, as the two hurlers were in complete command early and allowed a total of only three hits through the opening three innings.

The Tigers struck in the top of the fourth as Dustin Stinson ripped a hard single, and moved to second on a walk to Salter. Josh Hodge followed with a single to drive in Stinson and gave the Tigers a 1-0 lead with no outs and runners on first and second. Elba failed to take advantage of the scoring opportunity, however, as both runners were stranded, and the Tigers had to settle for the lone run and a 1-0 lead.

Elba carried the slim lead into the bottom of the fifth and appeared on the verge of pulling off the upset, only to see the Trojans take advantage of a series of defensive lapses in the inning to grab the lead for good!

The Trojans' Brian Murphy drew a walk to open the fifth, and raced



Elba's Brandon Salter blanked the St. James Trojans for four innings last week in the second round of the Class 3A baseball playoffs, but allowed four runs in the fifth as the Tigers were eliminated 4-1 to finish the season with a 12-11 record.

All the way to third when a sacrifice bunt was thrown into center field by the Tiger pitcher, Murphy scored on another sacrifice bunt, and a wild throw to first left Trojans on first

and third. A two-run double followed as the Trojans moved on to post 3-1, and Elba failed to get a hit over the final two innings as St. James held on to post the 4-1 win.

Watch as record slips to 15-15

Elba Lady Tigers drop double-header to Andalusia

The Elba Lady Tigers hosted the Andalusia Lady Bulldogs last week in high school softball action and dropped both ends of the double-header to see their record slide to 15-15.

Following are highlights of both games:

ANDY 15
ELBA 8

The Elba Lady Tigers saw an

early 6-3 lead vanish as the Andalusia Lady Bulldogs staged a late rally to claim a wild 15-8 win. The Lady Tigers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the opening inning on a two-run double by Vaughan Boyd, extended their lead to 4-1 in the second behind the hitting of Leslie Stinson and Oneida Davis, and owned a 6-3 lead after three innings thanks to a third inning triple by Rachel Bludsworth. Andalusia scored five runs in the fourth to grab the lead at 8-6; however, and pulled away to post the wild win.

Vaughan Boyd and Leslie Stinson both got 3 hits for the Lady Tigers,

while Rachel Bludsworth added 2 hits.

ANDY 15
ELBA 13

The Elba Lady Tigers built up a 9-4 lead after four innings, but once again saw the Andalusia Lady Bulldogs stage a late rally to pull even and then post a wild 15-13 win, in eight innings. Elba's Vaughan Boyd ripped a bases-loaded triple in the bottom of the first to give the Lady Tigers an early 5-2 lead, while Leslie Stinson and Melissa Kelley both had key hits in the third as Elba pulled out to a big 9-4 advantage. A

Vaughan Boyd triple in the fourth helped Elba turn back an Andalusia rally and stretched the Lady Tigers' lead back out to 11-8, but the Lady Bulldogs kept on scoring in every inning and plated 4 runs in the sixth inning to catch the Lady Tigers at 13-13. Andalusia then added two runs in the eighth, and held on to post the extra inning win.

Rachel Bludsworth got 4 hits to lead Elba at the plate, while Katie Vaughan added 3 hits, and Kendra Vaughan, Vaughan Boyd, Oneida Davis and Leslie Stinson all added 2 hits.

Kinston Lady Bulldogs have losing week in softball

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs had another busy week on the softball diamond last week and found it anything but enjoyable as they dropped six straight games to see their record for the season slip to 16-18.

The Lady Bulldogs opened the week against Houston Academy and dropped both ends of the double-header by the scores of 12-2 and 19-12. Kaci Fleming recorded two singles and a triple, and scored a run, to lead the Lady Bulldogs in the opener, while Kristen Bowdoin also singled and scored. In the nightcap, Kinston jumped out to an 11-8 lead in the second inning, only to see Houston Academy rally to post the 19-12 win. Odom went 4 for 4 to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Weeks added two singles.

The Lady Bulldogs traveled to Straughn on Tuesday afternoon and fell twice by the scores of 9-7 and 11-7. Kinston staged a late rally in the opener as the Lady Bulldogs

pushed across four runs in the top of the seventh, only to see Straughn hold on for the 9-7 win. Kaci Fleming collected two singles and a triple to lead Kinston at the plate, while Brandy Chamblee added two singles and a double, and Rowell added two singles. Kinston saw an early 6-4 lead evaporate in the nightcap as Straughn rallied to post an 11-7 win. Weeks went 3 for 3 and Nobles added two hits to lead Kinston at the plate.

The Lady Bulldogs closed out the week's action at home against Samson and dropped both ends of the twin bill by the scores of 14-10 and 14-2. Kinston rallied from an early 9-3 deficit in the opener to pull within 9-7, but saw Samson hold on late to post the 14-10 win. Kaci Fleming collected three singles and a triple, and scored two runs to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate, while Odom added three hits, and Lashley, Chamblee, Bowdoin,

Nobles and Jones all added two hits. Kinston scored one run in the first and last inning in the nightcap as the Lady Bulldogs were defeated 14-2. The Lady Bulldogs trailed only 5-1 after five innings, but saw Samson explode to post the big win. Kaci Fleming had a single and a home-run, and scored both runs to lead the Lady Bulldogs at the plate.

Troy to host Men's Class D District tournament

The Troy Sportsplex will host the Men's Class D District Softball Tournament on May 28-29. Trophies will be given to the Top three teams, with t-shirts to the champions. Entry fee is \$130 and balls will be provided. Teams are not allowed to wear steel cleats and teams must have matching jerseys. To enter a team call Pan Nix at 670-6051. The deadline to enter is May 26 at 5:00 PM.

Enterprise to host mens tournament on May 15

The Enterprise Department of Leisure Services will host its annual Boll Weevil Classic softball tournament on May 14-15, at Donaldson Community Park. The tournament will be open to men's Class C and below teams only, and the entry fee will be \$90 per team. Each team will hit its own softball, and a three home-run limit will be enforced. A top rated ball will be awarded to the championship team (depending on the number of teams entered), along with t-shirts and a team trophy. Second place team will receive a dozen softballs and a team trophy, with team trophies also being awarded to the third and fourth place teams. Deadline to enter is May 12 at 3:00 PM, and to enter call 334-347-1211, ext. 300.

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In Dixie Youth Baseball League action

Indians and Brewers grab big wins

The Elba Dixie Minor and Elba Dixie Youth Baseball Leagues continued their seasons last week with three nights of action.

Following are highlights of last week's games:

***CUBS 11 TIGERS 2 - The Cubs jumped ahead early and never looked back to down the Tigers 11-2, in Dixie Minor action. The Cubs scored early and often to grab a 9-0 advantage and rolled to the easy win. Cody Arnold and Nathan Calhoun both got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Cubs, while Gage Nalley added 1 hit. Heath Hollis and Charlie Chin both scored 1 run for the Tigers.

***BREWERS 12 DODGERS 5 - The Brewers pulled ahead early and pulled away late to defeat the Dodgers 12-5, in Dixie Youth

Winning teams roll up big numbers in girls softball action

The Elba Girls Softball League got in two nights of action last week with the winning team scoring runs in bunches in each and every game.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

***CORRAS 22 CLIPPERS 21 - The Corras scored 8 runs in their final at-bat to outscore the Clippers 22-21, in Coach-Pitch action. Kayla Kerrigan and Kristine Fitzgerald both scored 4 runs for the Corras, while Brittney Long and Natalie Newsome scored 3 runs each, and Katie Donaldson, Shay Carpenter and Megan Grosland all scored 2 runs. April Finadore and Erica Daniels scored 3 runs each for the

Clippers, while Catherine Irwin, Kydra Tillis, Megan Sullivan and Kelley Corder all scored 2 runs.

***BAY BEARS 17 BANDITS 0 - The Bay Bears scored runs in every inning to blank the Bandits 17-0, in 10 and Under action. Leslie Flowers ripped three home runs to lead the Bay Bears, while Melanie Mularz and Hannah Manning both scored 3 runs, and Haley Stinson scored 2 runs. Amanda Pope pitched a no-hitter for the Bay Bears, facing only 10 batters in three innings.

***BANDITS 13 BUZZ 10 - The Bandits grabbed an early 7-0 lead and held on late to down the Buzz 13-10, in 10 and Under action. Anna

Clint Bradshaw got 1 hit and scored a run for the A's, and Don Rhoades scored 2 runs.

***INDIANS 10 ANGELS 7 - The Indians pulled ahead early and held on late to escape with a 10-7 win over the Angels, in Dixie Youth action. The Indians plated 9 runs in the opening two innings to jump out to a 9-2 lead, then turned back a late Angels rally to post the win. Adam Spicer and Mason Guley both got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Indians, while LaRay Williams scored 2 runs. Stefaun Burks got 1 hit and scored 3 runs for the Angels, while Drew Parker added 1 hit and scored 2 runs.

***BLUE JAYS 18 BRAVES 11 - The Blue Jays jumped out to a big early lead and never looked back to post an 18-11 win over the Braves,

in Dixie Minor action. The Blue Jays scored 9 runs in the top of the first to take command early, and rolled to the wild win. Deymond Williams got 3 hits and scored 4 runs to lead the Jays, while Adam Henderson added 2 hits and scored 4 runs and Ryan McCollough got 2 hits and scored twice. Eric Butts got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Braves, while Caleb Davis added 1 hit and scored 2 runs and Derrick Jackson added 1 hit.

***INDIANS 6 PHILLIES 5 - The Indians spotted the Phillies an early 5-2 lead and then rallied to claim an exciting 6-5 win, in Dixie Youth action. The Phillies owned a 5-2 lead in the top of the third, but were watched as the Indians rallied late to post the win. Lonzo Cooks got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Indians, while Evan Few added 1 hit and scored once, and Mason Guley scored 2 runs. T.J. Winters and Jason Sanders both got 1 hit and scored 1 run for the Phillies.



Ernest Williams caught this bass while fishing last week at Nolin's Pond. He was using a black and blue plastic worm for bait. He reported that he also caught a large bass the day before in the same pond.

Action beginning to heat up in Dixie Boys Baseball League

The Elba Dixie Boys baseball League continued its season last week with the winning teams putting plenty of runs on the scoreboard in each and every game.

Following are highlights from last week's action:

***ELBA 12 REDS 2 - Elba led all the way to post a 12-2 win over the Reds. Elba scored three runs in each of the opening three innings to grab a 9-0 lead, and rolled to the 12-2 win. Kyle English got 3 hits and collected 2 hits to lead Elba, while Richard Myers added 3 hits, and Jason Curran and Brandon Petty both added 2 hits and 2 rbi's. Layton Griffin got 1 hit and knocked in a run to lead the Reds.

***METS 10 ZC YANKEES 6 - The Mets scored all of their runs in the final three innings to post a 10-6 win over the Zion Chapel Yankees. The Yankees jumped out to a 5-0 lead after three innings behind the pitching of Brandon Arnold, but the Mets rallied late and posted the win. Jonathan Hart got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Mets, while Brian Allums added 2

hits and Lanorris Smith ripped a 3-run homer. Mike Rayburn got 2 hits for the Yankees, while Brandon Arnold pitched three innings and struck out all nine batters he faced.

***REDS 8 ASTROS 7 - The Reds scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to escape with an exciting 8-7 win over the Astros. The Astros had scored four runs in the top of the seventh to take a 7-6 advantage, but saw the Reds stage the final rally and pull out the win. Layton Griffin got 1 hit and scored 4 runs to lead the Reds, while White, Norton and Horton all got 2 hits for the Astros.

***METS 8 BRANTLEY 2 - The Mets scored 6 runs in the bottom of the second to grab the lead and never looked back to down Brantley 8-2. The Mets trailed 2-0 after one inning, but rallied in the second to take the lead and rolled to the impressive win. Joseph Sawyer ripped two triples to lead the Mets, while Eric Bowers and Brian Allums both scored 2 runs. Paul Walden got the only hit for Brantley.

Plenty of runs scored by all teams in Coach Pitch baseball League

The Coach-Pitch Baseball League continued to roll along last week with all the teams lighting up the scoreboard in each and every game.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

***YANKEES 17 RAYS 12 - Justin Mallory, Devin Jackson, Bradley Wilson, Michael Spurlin, Richard Crook, Ashley Sanders and Jordan McBride all scored 2 runs for the Yankees. Taylor Cotton and Michael Jackson both scored 3 runs for the Rays, while Dylan McCollough scored 3 runs.

***MARINERS 21 DODGERS 19 - Jacob Petty, Trey Belcher, Chance Goosby and Jason Mitchell all scored 3 runs for the Mariners, while Kendall Chappell, Jonathan Maddox, Joshua Maddox and Kyron Tillis all scored 2 runs. Aaron Drewery and Deon Sanders both scored 3 runs for the Dodgers, while Marcus Caldwell, Griffin Cash and Marshall George all scored 2 runs.

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146th Annual Brunson Reunion attracts 400 relatives



Some of the more than 400 relatives attending the 146th annual Brunson Reunion. Ten states were represented at the 1999 reunion.

More than four hundred members of the Brunson family gathered at Elba Elementary School on Saturday, April 17, 1999, for their last opportunity this century to spend the day with widespread loved ones.

Their legacy began in 1853 when Matthew Brunson and his wife, Sarah Blanchard, moved their family to twelve-year-old Coffee County. They established their permanent home on three sections of land northeast of Elba near Pea River. Their family consisted of five sons and two daughters, Josiah, Pinckney, Matthew II, Silas

Eugene, Joan, Anna and Sarah (Sally) wife of Lafayette Morgan. This reunion legacy is believed to be the oldest tradition in Coffee County. It continues to commemorate the birthday of Patriarch, Matthew Brunson. Family members from throughout Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and numerous other states always return to their roots her in Coffee County the third weekend of April to attend the reunion. This great heritage has been handed down for seven and eight generations. It is a source of great pride to this pioneer family.



Rep. Terry Spicer, center, visiting with retired Probate Judge Marion Brunson and Elba attorney, Matt Brunson.



Relatives from 10 states were present for the 146th Brunson Reunion held on Saturday, April 17, at Elba Elementary School. Representing each state, L to R seated: Alabama - Elizabeth Brunson of Elba, Georgia - Allene Ball of Tucker; Florida - Anne Tyler of Seminole; North Carolina - Curtis Belle Dockerty of Andrews; West Virginia - Jeanette Wolfe of Mooresfield; Standing L to R: Colorado - Leonard Hutchinson of Aurora; Tennessee - Ralph Brunson of Nashville, Texas - Bart Whitley of China Springs; Ohio - Wanda Patton of Dublin, Virginia - Darlene Hutchison of Falls Church.



Fox and Mary Bailey Brunson sponsored the reunion 1951-1977. Members of their family, all Brunsons, attending the 1999 reunion are: Seated L to R: Marion and Nancy Brunson; Standing L to R: Bailey, Karen, Jeana, Matt (holding Mary), Stephanie, Richard (holding Fox) Allison, David. Children in front L to R: Fox, John, Marcus, Matthew, Trey, Emily. Not present: Deborah of Las Cruces, N.M.



Claxton Tindol, 98, of the Old Tabernacle Community of Coffee County was the oldest in attendance. Youngest are 6 months old Savannah Johns of Jack, held by her grandmother, Linda Smith Johns and 6 months old Jack DeWitt Ison of Naples, Fla., held by his mother, Talitha Brunson Ison.

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE, ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES, PROPRIETARY FUND TYPES AND EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS FOR THE SIX MONTH PERIOD ENDED MARCH 31, 1999

	GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES			FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES			*** TOTALS ***
	GENERAL	SPECIAL REVENUE	DEBT SERVICE	CAPITAL PROJECTS	PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE ENTERPRISE	EXPENDABLE TRUST	
REVENUES							
TAXES	1,600,235	917,612				16,848	2,517,847
LICENSES AND PERMITS	50,714					67,562	118,276
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	369,843	2,184,601			1,353,476	16,261	2,057,153
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	562,065	125,351			68,135	3,024	549,830
MISCELLANEOUS	234,375	212,922	1,692	29,682			
TOTAL REVENUES	2,817,232	3,440,486	1,692	29,682	1,421,611	36,133	7,746,836
EXPENDITURES							
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,089,229	109,449		1,472,625		3,974	2,675,277
PUBLIC SAFETY	681,822	17,544				716,214	1,415,580
HIGHWAYS AND ROADS	2,169,721						2,169,721
SANITATION					728,288		728,288
HEALTH	48,597						48,597
PUBLIC WELFARE	30,926	8,498					39,424
EDUCATION AND RECREATION	6,000						6,000
EDUCATION	23,451						23,451
CAPITAL OUTLAY	71,114	119,581			9,698		200,393
DEBT SERVICE							
PRINCIPAL RETIREMENT		115,202	107,457		36,052		258,711
INTEREST		21,319	73,151		59,415		153,885
FEES AND OTHER CHARGES	1,524						1,524
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,952,663	2,561,314	180,608	1,472,625	833,453	20,822	6,867,600
EXCESS REVENUE OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	864,569	879,172	(178,916)	(1,442,943)	588,158	15,311	879,236
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)							
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	13,665	738,884	509,704				1,262,253
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	(237,435)	(1,011,153)	(13,158)			(507)	(1,262,253)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(223,770)	(272,269)	496,546	0	0	(507)	0
EXCESS REVENUE AND OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER (UNDER) OTHER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	640,799	606,903	317,630	(1,442,943)	588,158	14,804	879,236
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING	442,591	1,839,007	2,233,508	1,934,526	(468,772)	33,351	6,014,211
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	1,083,390	2,445,910	2,551,138	491,583	119,386	48,155	6,893,447

Detailed statements of individual fund revenue and expenditures are available for public inspection at the County Commission Office during regular hours Monday - Friday. The totals are captioned "Memorandum Only" to indicate that they are presented merely to aid financial analysis. Information in this statement does NOT present the County's financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles; neither is data comparable to a consolidation of county funds; that is interfund elimination has not been used in totaling these figures. These figures represent unaudited data.

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS AS OF MARCH 31, 1999

General Obligation Warrants (Jail)	100,000
General Obligation Warrants (Health Department Addition)	93,823
General Obligation Warrants (DHR)	350,000
General Obligation Warrants (Refunding Issue)	2,645,000
Loans Payable to Banks	343,493
Landfill Warrants	1,260,000
Lease Purchase Equipment	344,036
Landfill Lease Purchase Equipment	1,061,808
Amounts in Escrow	(1,437,797)

Total Indebtedness 4,760,363

Kathryn Lolly
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Asst. Coffee County Administrator

Degrees awarded at TSU

Troy State University Chancellor Jack Hawkins Jr. conferred approximately 500 bachelor's, master's and education specialist degrees during TSU's annual winter commencement exercises Friday, March 19.

Local students receiving degrees were: Dina Smith Matthews, Elba; Novella Robinson, Elba; Steven Grady Williams, Jack; Norma Jean Young, Elba; and Beverly McCall, Elba.

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Pictured are Lion Danny Turner, Percy Garrett with Laney and Lion Col. Gene Eastburn.

Garnett speaks to Lions Club

Lion Danny Turner was in charge of the meeting held on April 13, 1999, at the Senior Citizens building. As it was time for the Lions to contribute to leader dogs, Lion Turner acquired an ex-marine named Percy Garrett and his leader dog Laney. Garrett enlightened the group with his experiences of being blind and what it meant not to be closed up in a room with the aid of Laney. He also told how he was able to fly to Washington and travel anywhere he wishes with the aid of Laney. It was a sincere and heart-warming talk to the Lions Club, since this is the club's main project.

Kiss the pig contest sponsored by American Cancer Society Relay For Life

Come see our community leaders kiss the "pot bellied" pig for a \$50 donation to the American Cancer Society Relay For Life sponsored by The Peoples Bank of Coffee County at the First Annual County Fair and Sausage Festival on Saturday, May 8.

All during the day, about every 15 to 20 minutes someone will be kissing away to find a cure for cancer. If you are asked for a donation to see someone kiss Smoochie, please give and come out to the Sausage Festival and support this worthy cause.

Those scheduled to give Smoochie a kiss are:

Kaye Whitworth	9:30
Winzel Gray	9:50
Bobby Edmondson	10:10
Fire Dept. Officer	10:30
Lynn Irwin	10:50

Julius Head	11:00
Donnie Morrow	11:10
Terry Spicer	11:30
Darlene Stinson	11:50
Matt Gray	12:10
Linda Westbrook	12:30
Jeff Ellis	12:50
Jimmy Holley	1:10
James Grimes	1:30
Valarie McGuire	1:50
Dr. Lance Dyess	2:10
Louise Hornsby	2:30
Stacey Parker	2:50
Marsha Oggs	3:10
Ronnie Hammond	3:30
Tom Maddox	3:50
Dick Chaney	4:10
Ronnie Whitworth	4:20
Jimmy Harrison	4:30
Grace Moore	4:40
Barbara Hudson	4:50
Jeny Kelley	5:00

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Katherine Marsh and Senator Holley

Katherine Marsh honored by Legislature

The reigning Miss Alabama Agriculture, Miss Katherine Marsh of Enterprise, was honored by Senator Jimmy Holley, D-Elba, and the Alabama Senate with a Joint Resolution outlining Miss Marsh's accomplishments and activities with a House of the Legislature. Senator Holley plans to acknowledge and commend any young Alabamian found to be as deserving.

viewed for the crown in December. Senator Holley and his fellow legislators highlighted Miss Marsh's accomplishments and activities with a Joint Resolution approved by both houses of the Legislature. Senator Holley plans to acknowledge and commend any young Alabamian found to be as deserving.

Baxley announces launching of state treasury's website

State Treasurer Lucy Baxley announced the launching of the state treasury's website. The website includes information about the operations of the state treasury, as well as information on the public service programs administered by the Treasurer's Office. One of the greatest benefits of the new website is the availability to search the state's unclaimed property database in the treasurer's office. According to Baxley, individuals may continue to call or write the office regarding claims and receive the same level of assistance as those who use the website. The Unclaimed Property Division can be reached at 334/242-9614 or 1-888-844-8400. Baxley has also mailed a list of names and addresses of owners of unclaimed property to the Judge of Probate of each county to have on file for public use.

The State Treasurer's Office website address is: www.treasury.state.al.us

Duncan receives Commendation

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Lynor A. Duncan, son of James A. and Ann Moultry of Brundidge, recently received the Coast Guard Meritorious Unit Commendation. Duncan, a 1985 graduate of Zion Chapel High School, joined the Navy in November 1998.

Jessica Carter New Member

Jessica Carter, Elba, is a new junior member of the American Angus Association. Junior members of the association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

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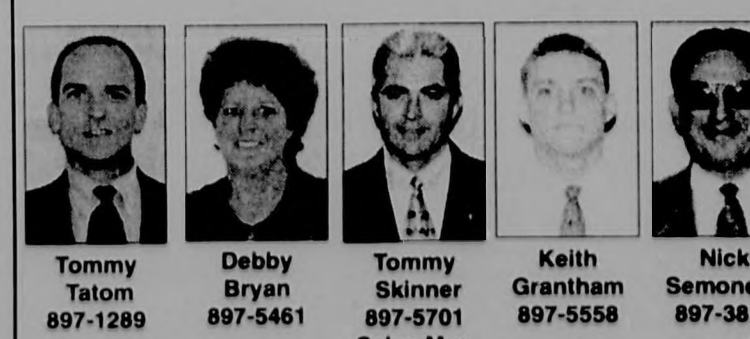
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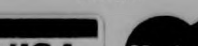
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Bozeman Farm in Elba places in top 10 in Alabama's Farms of Distinction. May 6, 1999. Charles Bishop, Commissioner of Agriculture, Kathy Bozeman, Max Bozeman, Jerry Knowles, ALFA President and Doug Rigney, State Farm/City Director.

Christian Athletes at Elba High will sponsor "Stop the Violence" youth rally

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Elba High School will sponsor a "Let's Stop the Violence" Youth Rally on Saturday, May 15, at 7 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium.

There will be lots of fun, entertainment and fellowship. Christos, a local gospel group, will be performing, as well as, Elba High School students, Leann Mallory and Kelvin Burks. The featured speaker will be Brian Payne, an Elba native and former University of Alabama football player from Nashville, Tenn. Other guest entertainment will be the First Assembly of God Drama Team.

A hamburger cookout will be held at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited, and please bring a canned food item

to donate to a need family. Salvation Army Begins Oklahoma Tornado Relief. Salvation Army personnel are serving meals and drinks to victims in areas devastated by tornadoes that struck the Oklahoma City area Monday and killed at least 45 people and injured hundreds in Oklahoma and Kansas. Monetary donations are needed to help the needs of those whose lives have been destroyed. Donations marked "Disaster Relief" can be sent to The Salvation Army Oklahoma City Area Command, P.O. Box 25 516, Oklahoma City, OK 73125-0516, or to your local Salvation Army, or P.O. Box 4857, Jackson, MS 39200-4857.



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SouthTrust declares quarterly dividend

The Board of Directors of SouthTrust Corporation declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$2.22 per share. The dividend is payable July 1, 1999, to stockholders of record at the close of business May 28, 1999. The company's common stock trades on The Nasdaq Stock Market.

Marines promote Fleming to rank of Corporal

Marine Cpl. William C. Fleming, son of William R. and Martha B. Fleming of Brundidge, recently was promoted to his present rank while serving with 2nd Assault Amphibian Battalion, Fleming, a 1988 graduate of Elba High School, joined the Marine Corps in April 1997.

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Elba BOE members briefed on emergency plans

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Thursday evening Elba school board members were given an intense detailed update on what the local school system is doing to remain prepared for any foreseeable school related emergency involving students or staff members.

Superintendent Charles Pearce took considerable time from an already long agenda of the regular monthly meeting to refresh board members on the existing policies and plans for dealing with all emergencies. He also presented them with several minor recommended policy changes for the Emergency/Safety Plan which has been in place for about three years.

The superintendent acknowledged there have been very few questions to board members or to his office since the Colorado killings, but he remained open to address safety concerns from the public.

Board members expressed their continued confidence that the administration and law enforcement officers are working to stay abreast of any potential problem and are prepared to expedite corrective action if an emergency does occur.

"Board members need to keep fresh on their minds the measures

we have taken to protect our children and staff members," Pearce said. He continued with, "We encourage our parents to inquire of board members or of the administration about the safety measures in place for the protection of their precious children." He added, "While board members and law enforcement experts have counseled us to keep certain security measures confidential, we are ready and willing to give parents and other interested citizens an overview of our plan and listen to their individual concerns."

The plan is normally reviewed and updated each year in July, but discussions in several staff meetings held immediately following the recent events in Colorado, and other places, spotlighted some needed amendments and school administrators opted to review and submit minor revisions on the plan early.

The superintendent reminded board members that the Elba plan already meets or exceeds all state department standards and has been used by several administrators as a model for creating a workable plan in other Alabama school systems.

A Crisis Planning Team is in place for each Elba school. It includes various staff members, law enforcement and court officials, emergency personnel, a school board member, school counselor, one student, one parent and community leaders. They hold scheduled meetings and are available for special planning meetings if needed.

The Elba Emergency/Safety plan details the proper reaction to many emergencies, including auto or bus accidents, fire and severe weather, handling individuals with health emergencies (on and off campus), missing persons, unauthorized per-

sons on campus, drug possession and/or use, bomb threats, hostage situations, assaults on students or staff, emergency communications within the schools, buses and with law enforcement. A 51 point check list, which must be submitted to the state department of education each year, shows the Elba school system has a documented plan to address the various problems addressed by the state check list. The Elba campus graded positive on all 51 check points.

Any student moving in the halls, corridors, gym, etc. between classes must have a hall pass. This policy is enforced by the entire staff, according to the superintendent. All visitors must clear through the school office, both when they arrive and when they leave.

A "no tolerance" policy on drug possession and use is strictly enforced. Violation of this policy is grounds for immediate suspension from school, followed by board hearing for expulsion. A "no fight" policy is actively enforced and a "Gun Free Schools" policy will lead to expulsion immediately for any student found with a gun on campus.

The student handbook spells out a strict dress code for students and strictly prohibits wearing of anything which might be considered "gang related." The written policy gives administrators wide discretion to deal with emerging gang dress, markings or other symbols.

There are charged fire extinguishers throughout the building which are routinely checked by staff members. Panic bars on all outside doors are in full compliance with fire and safety codes. Fire drills are conducted regularly in the buildings and the results reviewed. Bus evacuation

plans are posted in every bus and students are given instructions on how to follow the plan in case of emergency. This too is covered in random, surprise evacuation drills.

At least three staff members in each school are certified in administering CPR if a person has a sudden breathing emergency while on the school grounds.

The school campus is an "open campus" and fully in compliance with the American Dependency Act (ADA) and local code requirements, allowing public use of the grounds, etc. However, plans are in place to install lockable gates at both campus entrances if it becomes necessary or practical, according to Section 16 of the policy. Pearce explained that many people currently enjoy getting their regular walking exercises on the campus in the mornings, evenings and on weekends and the idea of an open campus is desirable as long as possible. He assured board members that there is a plan in place for continuous monitoring of all visitors.

The system of communication already in place throughout the school system is state of the art, explained the superintendent. There is communication between the offices and all individual classrooms and to law enforcement officers, each of which can be activated from the

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POLICE MEMORIAL DAY...Elba Mayor James E. Grimes has proclaimed the week of May 9 through May 15 as Police Officers' Week in Elba with Police Memorial Day being observed on Saturday, May 15. He asks that all citizens take this opportunity to express their appreciation to the men and women who are willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, to guard us and our loved ones against all who would threaten our peace. They are the guardians of the public's life and property, the defenders of the individual right to be free, warriors in the battle against crime, and are dedicated to the preservation of life and property. Pictured above is Mayor Grimes (seated right) signing the proclamation with Elba Police Chief R. W. "Ronnie" Whitworth (seated left), D.A.R.E. Officer Dean Blair (standing left), and Lt. Freddy Hanchey looking on.

Commissioners zip through short agenda

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission meeting in its regular bi-monthly day session wasted little time in zipping through a relatively short agenda.

County Engineer Randy Tindell led off the meeting with several recommendations and requests that required action by the commissioners.

First, annual bids on supplying the county highway department with steel - both plain and coated - were opened and reviewed.

Low bidder on both types of pipe was Gulf - Atlanta - Culvert, Incorporated of Tallahassee, FL. Their bid was 59.9 percent below list prices calculated by department personnel.

Assistant Engineer Marty Lentz explained that the list prices on the various sizes and types of steel pipe (coated and plain) were arrived at by taking price lists from all the pipe vendors and calculating an average price thus creating a "county price list." Bid requests were then sent out to all vendors on the county's steel pipe bid list with a request that they submit a bid based on a percentage discount on the "county's list price."

In other highway department related matters, Tindell requested a resolution initializing the plans to resurface Co. Rd. 460 with federal aid funds. He was granted permission to proceed with the necessary paperwork to do so.

He also requested that bid requests be sent out for the repair of the undercarriage on the D-8 dozer which is used at the county's landfill. This was approved by commissioners.

Several months ago the commission took bids on a used excavator (less than 500 hours of use) with a stipulation that the county would use the price of equipment for a period of up to six months to see if it was a good machine before purchasing it.

"It is now time to either pay for the machine or turn it back in," Tindell told commissioners.

He explained that the rent which has been paid on the machine will be applied, as stipulated in the bid, toward the purchase price. Following his recommendation to purchase, the commissioners voted to do so.

In 1975, the county acquired deeds to right-of-way along Co. Rd. 157 from M.C. Currington. Tindell explained that this right-of-way went through the middle of a pasture. He told commissioners that at the present time, the county is in the process of paying this road, and it would be beneficial to both Mr. Currington and the county to return to the original roadbed in this particular area with the construction of the road.

Tindell recommended that the necessary paper work (deed preparation) be prepared to return ownership of the land to Mr. Currington. The commissioners voted to give the chairman and the county attorney the authority to proceed.

The county engineer had two recommendations concerning the landfill for commissioners to act on. Number one, he told them that credit references from Spiegel Construction Company had been checked and found to be in order and it was the landfill committee's recommendation that credit be extended to them in the use of the landfill.

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related matters, Tindell requested a resolution initializing the plans to resurface Co. Rd. 460 with federal aid funds. He was granted permission to proceed with the necessary paperwork to do so.

He also requested that bid requests be sent out for the repair of the undercarriage on the D-8 dozer which is used at the county's landfill. This was approved by commissioners.

Several months ago the commission took bids on a used excavator (less than 500 hours of use) with a stipulation that the county would use the price of equipment for a period of up to six months to see if it was a good machine before purchasing it.

"It is now time to either pay for the machine or turn it back in," Tindell told commissioners.

He explained that the rent which has been paid on the machine will be applied, as stipulated in the bid, toward the purchase price. Following his recommendation to purchase, the commissioners voted to do so.

In 1975, the county acquired deeds to right-of-way along Co. Rd. 157 from M.C. Currington. Tindell explained that this right-of-way went through the middle of a pasture. He told commissioners that at the present time, the county is in the process of paying this road, and it would be beneficial to both Mr. Currington and the county to return to the original roadbed in this particular area with the construction of the road.

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that his cell will be used to place debris from construction and demolition sites. The following fees were approved by the commission: \$13 per ton for in-county individuals and contractors; and \$15 per ton for out-of-county individuals and contractors.

The general business session from commissioners sparked a little discussion and two motions that died for lack of a second.

First, Commissioner Len Averett made a motion that the paving crew be increased by six to eight individuals and funds be moved from the general fund to the highway department for the purchase of two dump trucks, an escalator and a motor-grader.

County Administrator Wilson Mobley commented that this would deplete the county of any reserves in the general fund plus some.

Commissioner Robert Stephens asked if the motion could be discussed before it was seconded as required by Roberts' Rules of Order. He said, "I'm all for it. I would have seconded his motion but I feel that at this time we need to discuss it and I understand that we have equipment that we are not using now."

Commission Chairman Kayo Lewis, in response to Stephens' question, said, "Mr. Stephens you should know better than me whether you can discuss it before a second."

Averett's motion died for the lack of a second.

Another motion dying for lack of a second was made by Commissioner Bernest Brooks. He asked that Lenwood Heron be named grants manager for Coffee County.

"Mr. Brooks, I believe we need to discuss this more and find out how this is going to affect other people who write grants for us," said Chairman Lewis. "We really haven't discussed this enough. This is why I'm sure - you didn't get a second to your motion."

In other matters of business, the commission took the following actions:

***Appointed Commissioners Tom Grimley and Robert Stephens to work with the Enterprise Economic Development Corporation Board in reconstituting

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